(घ) क्या यह भी सच है कि आर्डर दबाव में आकर किसी नेता की पुत्री के पक्ष में कराया गया है और यदि नहीं, तो क्या आय सहित सभी तथ्यों के संबंध में सतर्कता विभाग के उच्च अधिकारियों से जांच कराने का विचार है ?

विद्युत विभाग में राज्य मंत्री तथा पेट्रोलियम और प्राकृतिक गैस मंत्रालय में राज्य मंत्री (श्रीमती सुशीला रोहतगी) : (क) ऐसी शिकायतें प्राप्त हुई हैं कि पैनल पर रखे सभी उम्मीदवारों में से एक उम्मीदवार की और उसके माता-पिता की आय निर्धारित सीमा से अधिक है ।

(ख) और (ग). तेल चयन बोर्ड के कहने पर शिकायतों की जांच की गई तथा इसके दौरान एक शिकायतकर्ता से सम्पर्क किया गया । जांच रिपोर्ट आय के सभी साधनों के बारे में थी । प्राप्त रिपोर्टों के आधार पर चयन बोर्ड ने इंडियन आयल कारपोरेशन लि० द्वारा आशयपत्र जारी किए जाने के लिए उस उम्मीदवार को क्लियर कर दिया ।

(घ) तेल चयन बोर्ड का निर्णय प्राप्त रिपोर्टों के आधार पर था । इस मामले को सतर्कता विभाग की जांच करवाने का कोई प्रस्ताव नहीं है ।

Assistance to coal industry

1753. SHRIMATI RENUKA CHOWDHURY: Will the Minister of ENERGY be pleased to state:

(a) the number of collaboration agreements with foreign Governments at present under implementation;

(b) the number of such projects completed so far and the results achieved thereby; and

(c) whether foreign assistance is being sought for development of collieries in Andhra Pradesh to augment production of coal in southern region?

THE MINISTER OF ENERGY (SHRI VASANT SATHE): (a) Indian coal companies. with the approval of the Government of India, have so far entered into 28 agreements with foreign companies and organisations for assistance in specific activities connected with coal projects.

(b) Most of the agreements with foreign companies|organisations were signed for their assistance for specific activities connected with coal projects and not for their complete implementation. Details of the purpose of each agreement and present status of their implementation are given in enclosed statement. [*See* Appendix CXXXIX Annexure No. 114.]

(c) Yes, Sir. Foreign assistance has been sought from M|s. TSVETMETPROMEXPORT, USSR for the development of Godavari Valley coalfield which is the lease hold area of SCCL, to augment coal production and also for systematic development of coalfield on scientific lines. The above firm has been entrusted for the formulation of the Master Plan for Godavari Valley coalfield. A contract No. 05-022|39100 dt. 29-10.85 was signed.

Heavy machinery for Coal Industry

1754. SHRIMATI RENUKA CHOWDHURY: Will the Minister of ENERGY be pleased to state:

(a) whether the requirements of the Coal Industry in terms of heavy machinery during 1986-87 has been assessed;

(b) if so. whether the same is expected to be available in time to achieve the production targets envisaged during the year 1986-87;

(c) whether there are any problems in getting such equipments from the indigenous manufacturers like MAMC, HEC and BEML; and

(d) what is the estimated amount of import of machinery planned for the year 1986-87?

THE MINISTER OF ENERGY (SHRI VASANT SATHE): (a) and (b) Yes, Sir.

(c) There have been instances of delay in the supply of equipment by indigenous manufacturers but these problems are being sorted out through mutual discussions between the Coal Companies and the maufacturers and through assistance at Government level.

(d) Import requirements of both Coal India Limited and Singareni Collieries Company Limited for the year 1986-87 are estimated at approximately Rs. 153 crores. The requirements cover import of capital goods, spares and components for maintenance and replacement purposes and import under project-tied credits.

Cost of Production of Natural Gas

1755. SHRI CHIMANBHAI MEHTA: Will the Minister of PETROLEUM AND NATURAL GAS be pleased to refer to the answer to Unstarred Question 180 given in the Rajya Sabha on the 21st July 1986 and state:

(a) what is the element of corporate tax in Rs. 1218, the cost of production of natural gas per 100 M3-for the year 1984-85;

(b) whether this cost of production is inclusive of Royalty; and

(c) how much amount ONGC earned during the last three years from sale of natural gas?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE DEPARTMENT OF POWER AND MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF PETROLEUM AND NATURAL GAS (SHRIMATI SUSHILA ROHATGI): (a) The element of corporate tax in the cost of production of Rs. 1218 per 1000 cubic metres of gas, is Rs. 325.

(b) Yes, Sir.

(c) During the last 3 years, the earning (profit before corporate tax) of ONGC from sale of natural gas is as follows:

	(Rs. in crores)
1982—83	(10·56)
1983—84	5·39
1984—85	54·89

(Figures in brackets indicate loss)

Technical Collaboration between India and West Germany

1756. SHRI SUBAS MOHANTY: Will the Minister of INDUSTRY be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that there has been a technical collaboration between India and West Germany for promoting small and medium industries;

(b) if so, what are the details in this regard; and

(c) what are these projects which need technical collaboration?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE DEPARTMENT OF INDUSTRIAL DEVELOPMENT (SHRI M. ARUNACHALAM): (a) There have been a number of technical collaboration between Indian companies and West German companies in various sectors.

(b) The details of all foreign collaboration approved viz.. the name of the Indian Company, name of the foreign firm, item of manufacture, nature tf collaboration etc. are published by the Indian Investment Centre as a supplement to their monthly News Letter. Copies of these publications are sent to Parliament Library regularly.